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SUBJECT

Firing Ranges.

(30 yds Range near Hanumbirela, Devanhalli Tq)

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30 Yards Range near Mandibele, Devanhalli

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Sl. 59. Letter no. C.L.O. 631/43-44 dt 10.6.44 from the C.R. requesting approval to his action in permitting the military authorities the use of certain area near Mandibele village in Devanhalli Taluk.

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Subd for perusal. The C.R. has already permitted the use of the said area for a period of 2 mths as a temporary measure in the circumstances explained. Subd with a draft letter to the C.R. conveying approval to his action. A draft letter to the Resy communicating that permission has been ~~sanctioned~~ accorded to the mily authorities to use the area near Mandibele village is also put up for apptl.

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Issue & submit.

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6 P. Issue Pl. 2672 dt 26th June 44 to the Resy

6 Q. " 3017/W " to the Rel C.R.

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GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

No. C.L.O. 631/43-44.
Encls.

OFFICE OF THE REVENUE COMMISSIONER & CIVIL REPRESENTATIVE IN MYSORE, B'LORE

SECRET & URGENT.

Dated 10th June 1944.

To

V. VEDAVYASACHARYA, Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to the Government
of Mysore, Bangalore.

Sir,

30 Yards Range near Mandible - Devanhalli Taluk.

I have the honour to forward herewith a copy of the letter dated 6th June 1944 of the H.Q. 37th Indn Fd Regt now camping at Vadigenahalli, addressed to the Civil officer, Bangalore, on the above subject.

The military authorities have asked for permission urgently to use the "Halla" marked in the enclosed sketch and situated in the gomal of Mandibele village, Devanhalli Taluk, as a 30 Yards Range.

The Civil Officer, Bangalore recommends for the reasons stated (vide his letter No. Mily. 505/43 dated 6th June 44 - copy enclosed), that there is no objection to the grant of the permission asked for.

As the military authorities wanted this area urgently I have permitted them, pending sanction of Government, to use this "Halla" as a 30 Yards range, subject to usual conditions, for a period of two months, as a temporary measure. I request that approval of Government may kindly be obtained to my action.

CHIEF SECRETARY * 11. JUN. 1944 * GOVT. OF MYSORE.

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may kindly be obtained for my action.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Revenue Commissioner
& Civil Representative.

Copy of letter No. nil dated 6 Jun 44 from the Lieutenant I.E., to the Civil Officer, Bangalore.

Subject: 30 Yards Range near Mandibele (Devanhalli Taluk)

Reference: Personal conversation between you and Lieut. V.V. Bhide.

It is confirmed that the "Halla" shown on the attached sketch is required urgently for firing practice.

The bank of the "Halla" is about eight feet high. There is no possibility of bullets escaping over it. As an additional precaution a 5' gravel wall will be built on top of the bank. The targets will be placed on the bed of the Halla. The ridge beyond (see sketch) will also be patrolled by an armoured Carrier to keep out any stray villagers. The local Police will also be informed 24 hours in advance of any firing practice.

No evacuation of any village is necessary (see sketch)

The area has been inspected by the Civil Liaison Officer and the Sub Inspector of Police VADIGENAHALLI CAMP. No objection has been raised by either of them.

Sanction may therefore please be obtained for the use of the range and communicated by telephone as the matter is very urgent.

"Copy"

For Revenue Commissioner and
Civil Representative.

P. T. O.

Copy of letter No. C.L.O. 505/43-44 dated 6th June 1944 from the Civil Officer, Bangalore to the Revenue Commissioner and Civil Representative in Mysore, B'lore.

Subject: 30 Yards Range near Mandibele (Devanhalli Taluk.

I have the honour to submit herewith a copy of the letter No. Nil. dated 6th June 1944 received fn person to-day from Lieutenant of the 37th Indian Field Squadren now camping at Vadigenahalli Camp requesting to obtain permit to make use of a new 30 yards range near Mandibele village of Devanhalli Taluk.

The Civil Liaison Officer, Vadigenahalli reports that the spot is situated in the gomal of Mandibele village, 1½ miles to the west of the camp area in the a halla; that the targets will be placed in the bed of the halla and behind this halla there is an embankment of about 8 feet high and above the embankment the military propose to erect another 5 feet wall, as an additional precaution. This is confirmed by the letter of the Lieutenant Bhide to-day.

The Civil Liaison Officer further reports that there is a ridge to a distance of about ¾ mile behind this range opposite to the direction of firing as shown in the sketch enclosed.

No evacuation of any village is necessary as per sketch enclosed.

The military have promised to post sentries and arrange for petrolling the area by having armoured car to keep off the villagers and pedestrians going towards the range and also to inform the police 24 hours beforehand. It is reported that they propose to use.22 and .303 inches guns. Permission sought for may kindly be accorded in view of the urgency and orders of sanction may kindly be communicated immediately as they propose to start firing.

The sketch is enclosed herewith for kind perusal.

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P.T.O.

ENLARGEMENT OF 57 G/SE

Scale:- 2" = 1 Mile.

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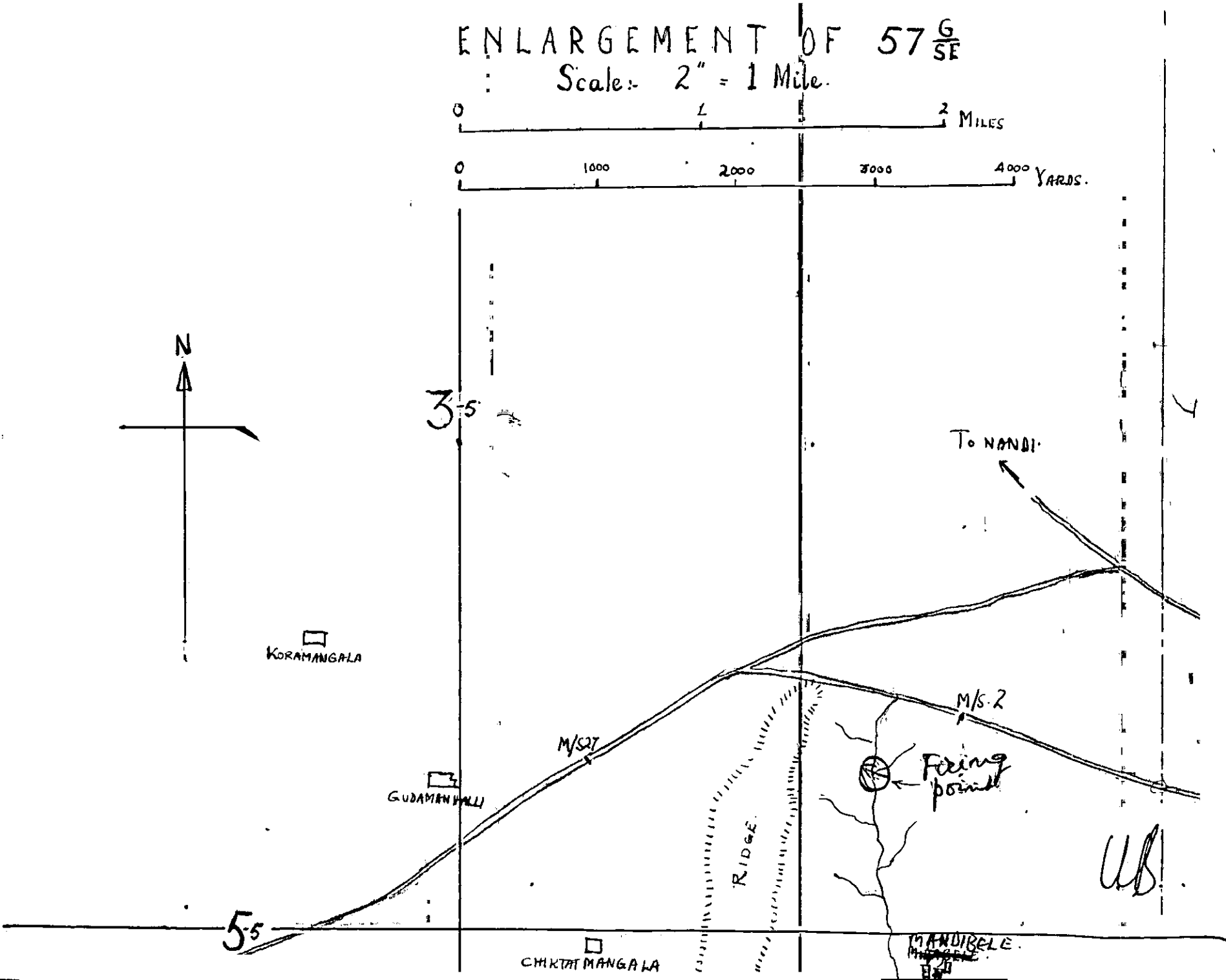
0 1000 2000 3000 4000 Yards.



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SUBJECT 30 Yards Range near Mandibele — Devanhalli Taluk.

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Diary No. of letter replied to.....

No. W 3017.

To

The R.C. & C.R.

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Sir,

With refee to your letter No. C.L.O. 631/43-44 dt 10.6.44 on the above subject, I am directed to convey the approval of Govt to your action in permitting the mily authorities to use the "Halla" near Mandibele village, Devanhalli Taluk as a 30 yards range under the circumstances explained.

I have etc.,

Date of issue.... 26.6.44

Signed by Mr. S.K.V.

List of enclosures.....

Copied by.....

Examined by.....

24/6/44
Chief Secy to Govt.

for

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SUBJECT..... 30 Yards Range near Mandibele — Devanahalli Taluk.....

Section War
File No. 20-43
Serial No. 261

Diary No. of letter replied to.....

No. Pol 2672

To

General and Revenue Secretariat

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the *194* .

The Secy to the Hon'ble the Resident

Date of issue.... 26th June 1944

Sir,

I am directed to state that the H.Q. 37th Ind. Fd. Regt. now camping at Vadigenahalli has asked for permission to use urgently ~~certain area~~ a "Kalla" near Mandibele village in Devanahalli Tq, as a 30 yards Range, and to add that this Govt. have accorded the necessary permission for a period of 2 months as a temporary measure subject to the usual conditions.

I have etc.,

Signed by..... Mr. S. K. V.

for

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